

MEDIA ADVISORY

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Alamance County Maker Roundtable to Take Place September 13, 2016

2nd Annual Alamance County Maker Roundtable WHAT:

WHEN: Tuesday, September 13, 2016

1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

WHERE: John Robert Kernodle Senior Activities Center

> 1535 S. Mebane St. Burlington, NC 27215

DETAILS: Please join the City of Burlington and the Alamance Makers Guild for the

2nd annual Alamance County Maker Roundtable. This event is free and

open to the public. The goal of the event is to bring together civic,

business, education and government leaders, along with other stakeholders and members of the public, to discuss the Maker Movement taking place within Alamance County. The Roundtable will provide a review of the

Maker Movement, progress reports from many organizations in attendance, a panel discussion on state-wide and national Maker

Movement efforts, a brainstorming activity, and networking opportunities.

On July 14, 2014, the Burlington City Council agreed to participate in the Mayor's Maker Challenge. The Maker Cities Initiative is a joint program of the White House's Office of Science and Technology Policy and the Manufacturing Alliance of Communities. The Maker Movement had been widely recognized as being the "next Industrial Revolution" and has great potential for helping individuals start their own businesses, bring manufacturing jobs back to the United States, enhancing and improving

STEM education and helping to bring communities together.

RSVP:

RSVP to attend the Maker Roundtable by emailing Rachel Kelly at rkelly@BurlingtonNC.gov. View the event on Facebook or learn more about the event at www.BurlingtonNC.gov/MakerCity.

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